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1. I FIRST WANT TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT AND MOST HELPFUL RESPONSE CONTAINED REFTEL. I WISH TO EMPHASIZE, AS I KNOW DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THAT WE HAVE NOT YET SUGGESTED ANY RPT ANY US PARTICIPATION IN GOU FUNDING TO PRESENT MOMENT. OUR REFTEL WAS DESIGNED SIMPLY TO PREPARE FOR EVENTUALITY WHICH MAY OCCUR IN THE TWO AND ONE-HALF HOURS NOW REMAINING BEFORE NOON DEADLINE.

2. ALL CONDITIONS CONTAINED REF DEPTEL ("A" THROUGH "F") ARE REASONABLE AND APPLICABLE TO PRESENT SITUATION, JUDGING FROM ALL DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE HAD HERE THUS FAR. LIKEWISE, I FULLY CONCUR IN INSTRUCTION CONTAINED PARA. 2.

3. RE QUESTION OF TERMINOLOGY RAISED IN PARA. 3, I THINK IT LARGELY A MATTER OF SEMANTICS. HOWEVER, IN CIRCUMSTANCES WE NOW FACE, I BELIEVE THAT ON BALANCE THE TERM "REWARD" RPT "REWARD" BEST DESCRIBES EFFORT GOU HAS NOW UNDERTAKEN. MY REASONING ON THIS IS AS FOLLOWS: FROM THE FIRST, MLN'S DEMANDS HAVE UNWAVERINGLY CENTERED ON RELEASE OF ALL CAPTURED TUPAMAROS. QUESTION OF MONEY HAS NEVER IN ANY WAY BEEN MENTIONED BY ORGANIZATION AND IN FACT, GIVEN MOVEMENT'S IDEOLOGICAL BASE, CASH WOULD PROBABLY BE REPUGNANT OR AT LEAST PUBLICLY INADMISSIBLE AS FONMIN MADE CLEAR TO ME LAST NIGHT. GOU FEELS IDEOLOGICAL THRUST IN MLN IS SO STRONG

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THAT PUBLIC CASH OFFER WOULD MOST CERTAINLY BE REJECTED. ACCEPTANCE OF CASH IN EXCHANGE FOR VICTIMS WOULD IN FACT PROBABLY BE VIEWED BY ORGAN ZATION AS "TRAITOROUS ACT." THEREFORE, CURRENT EFFORT DIRECTD NOT AT ORGANIZATION OR EVEN AT ITS LEADERS BUT RATHER AT INDIVIDUALS RPT INDIVIDUALS NOW PHYSICALY HOLDING VICTIMS. FOR THIS REASON, WHAT WE NOW SEEK TO DO IS REWARD RPT REWARD THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR PERSONAL SERVICES RENDERED.

4. I PLAN TO CALL FONMIN SHORTLY FOR MEETING TO LEARN RESULTS OF THEIR EFFORTS THROUGHOUT NIGHT AND EARLY MORNING.
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